Region 6 Behavioral Health Board

2017

A study and analysis of the behavioral health needs of Region 6.

Gaps and Needs Analysis

Sub-Committee	Needs/Barriers	Goal	Timeline for Goal	Action Plan
Recovery Support Children's Mental Health	Transitional and permanent housing for men, women and families • Lack of funding sources for transitional housing • Municipal requirements (zoning, fire suppression, etc) • Lack of neighborhood acceptance; no one wants transitional housing in their neighborhood • Lack of a dependable resource to pay firs/last month rent and deposit • Lack of public education on housing options and services. • Lengthy waiting periods for public housing	Research county owned houses in Bingham County and the possibility of implementing a similar process in Region 6 Explore local/regional options with treatment providers and other community partners re: the need for safe and sober housing and possible detox facility Exploring PATH finding through RBHB for regional input and decision making related to housing dollars Utilizing PATH dollars to help with deposits or first month's rent, one time The opening of "Transitions" a faith-based transitional housing resource center, and life coaching primarily for women leaving prison	May 2018 May 2018 Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
		Stakeholder educational event	November 2017	
Recovery Support	 Supported employment Challenges with skills identification and acquisition Transportation to employment/training site Difficulty obtaining employment with criminal record 	Community Partners (Working Solutions, Voc. Rehab, Dept. of Labor) present/educate RBHB about services available to community members Partner with community businesses to be more "felon" friendly. Do outreach with the Chamber of Commerce to	Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.

		"hire the felon" Acknowledge supportive employers The Center for New Directions at ISU can provide interest inventories, help with resumes, counselors, and GED testing	Ongoing	
Recovery Support Children's Mental Health Crisis Center Regional Behavioral Health Board	 Limits access to treatment if client does not have Medicaid. VEYO – there are still problems with pick-up and delivery of clients Dependable transportation to Crisis Center in Idaho Falls Dependable development of low/no cost transportation for rural areas – gas vouchers Short bus hours No transportation for support services; housing work, etc. 	Bus or other transportation vouchers are needed to Idaho Falls Crisis Center Encourage CIT training for police departments who may still be reluctant to transport clients to the Idaho Falls Crisis Center Hope and Recovery Resource Center offering transportation to clients Coordinate with Vocational Rehab in an effort to enhance transportation options Coordinate on transportation options with Veteran's Services	July 1, 2018 Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
Recovery Support Children's Mental Health Crisis Center Regional Behavioral Health Board	 Access to care continuum Lack of case management resources Discrepancies in definitions in covered services for case management Coordinate case management among police departments, schools, and treatment centers 	Peer support and recovery coaching through the Hope and Recovery Resource Center Advocate for more school resource officers, who can help coordinate case management	Ongoing Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
Children's Mental Health	Collaboration among school districts, juvenile justice, Department of Health and Welfare and provider's resources available	Regional Behavioral Health Board, Children's Mental Health Subcommittee visit	Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three

	for children No common database/website Rural access for parents for educational opportunities	schools in the region with Dept. of Behavioral Health, Children's Mental Health, and Juvenile Justice and community providers Upcoming CANs rollout Invite community resource workers to attend Regional Behavioral Health Board and Children's Mental Health Subcommittee meetings Children's Mental Health subcommittee provides resource cards to school districts Regional Behavioral Health Board member attendance at community meetings hosted by Judge Murray	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
Children's Mental Health	Parent education/support – to include respite, telephonic and telemedical • Parents are unaware of available services • Rural access for parents to educational and clinical opportunities	Use websites and newsletters to disseminate information Respite care for parents and other care providers Encourage OPTUM to develop codes for group counseling without the child present Include resources in Regional Behavioral Health Board hosted resource fair Host annual Children's Mental Health training Explore possible Behavioral	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing May 2018 Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.

		Health Board contracting for educational opportunities for parents and clients		
Recovery Support Children's Mental Health Crisis Center Regional Behavioral Health Board	Timely access to preventative and needed ongoing medical physical health care services for both adults and children • Limited access to care for uninsured • No ongoing access to medical care • No available youth drop in/alternative activities center • Co available crisis center • Not enough therapeutic foster homes • Not able to afford medications • Lack of physical/occupational therapy for uninsured • Shortage of clinicians in southeast Idaho	Research and present drop-in center models for adolescents Increase incentives for therapeutic foster homes Encourage and advocate for Medicaid expansion or similar alternative	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
Children's Mental Health	Family-run programs available as an option, along with the traditional approach • Lack of education and resources for families • Declining NAMI participation	Training by Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health for family support partners	Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
Recovery Support Children's Mental Health Crisis Center Regional Behavioral Health Board	Providers, clergy, school counselors, and hospitals, especially in rural areas, need training when working with individuals who are contemplating suicide • Accessing medical personnel	Contact all medical facilities in Region 6 and offer training related to risk assessment SHIP training conference scheduled for September 14, 2017	Ongoing September 14, 2017	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.
Recovery Support Children's Mental Health Crisis Center Regional Behavioral Health Board	More information about suicide prevention and risk assessment for all ages • Parents and school personnel do not have a protocol when students reveal thoughts of suicide	Allow time at the annual Children's Mental Health training conference in Region 6 for suicide prevention training	Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to

	Region 6 does not have an active SPAN chapter	Utilize websites and newsletters to educate parents, consumers, and community members about risk and suicide assessment and resources for the same	Ongoing	be completed by September 1, 2018.
		Dissemination of resource cards throughout Region 6, developed by the Children's Mental Health subcommittee	Ongoing	
		Activate and participate in SPAN chapter	Ongoing	
Crisis Center	 Crisis Needs Lack of Crisis Center in Region 6 Overcrowding of Crisis Center in Region 7 Lack of Hospital Services Using jails to house people in behavioral health crisis Amount of resources being used on individuals after first point of contact with law enforcement, including court appearances, pretrial detention, etc. Over use of Emergency Room for individuals in crisis No way to interrupt the crisis cycle 	Potential county bond support Establishment of a Crisis Center Establish community support for Crisis Center Effective linkage with Hope and Recovery Resource Center Improvement in suicide rate Hope and Recovery Resource Center attempting to provide satellite support to rural areas	November 30, 2017 August 1, 2018 Ongoing August 1, 2018 Ongoing	Responsible subcommittee to develop action plan for three stated goals by Jan 31, 2018. Implementation to be completed by September 1, 2018.